

SENATE BILL No. 293

DIGEST OF SB 293 (Updated February 14, 2001 4:53 PM - DI 106)

Citations Affected: IC 35-42; noncode.

Synopsis: Criminal recklessness. Makes criminal recklessness a Class C felony instead of a Class B misdemeanor if it is committed by shooting a firearm into an inhabited dwelling or other building or place where people are likely to gather. (Current law makes criminal recklessness a Class C felony if it is committed by shooting a firearm from a vehicle into an inhabited dwelling or other building or place where people are likely to gather.)

Effective: July 1, 2001.

Bowser, Long

January 11, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Corrections, Criminal and Civil Procedures.
February 15, 2001, reported favorably — Do Pass.



First Regular Session 112th General Assembly (2001)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2000 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1	SECTION 1. IC 35-42-2-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: Sec. 2. (a) As used in this
3	section, "hazing" means forcing or requiring another person:
4	(1) with or without the consent of the other person; and
5	(2) as a condition of association with a group or organization;
6	to perform an act that creates a substantial risk of bodily injury.
7	(b) A person who recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally performs:
8	(1) an act that creates a substantial risk of bodily injury to another
9	person; or
10	(2) hazing;
11	commits criminal recklessness, a Class B misdemeanor. However, the
12	offense is a:
13	(1) Class A misdemeanor if the conduct includes the use of a
14	vehicle;
15	(2) Class D felony if it is committed while armed with a deadly

(3) Class C felony if it is committed by shooting a firearm from a

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weapon; or



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1	vehicle into an inhabited dwelling or other building or place	
2	where people are likely to gather.	
3	(c) A person who recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally:	
4	(1) inflicts serious bodily injury on another person; or	
5	(2) performs hazing that results in serious bodily injury to a	
6	person;	
7	commits criminal recklessness, a Class D felony. However, the offense	
8	is a Class C felony if committed by means of a deadly weapon.	
9	(d) A person, other than a person who has committed an offense	
10	under this section or a delinquent act that would be an offense under	
11	this section if the violator was an adult, who:	
12	(1) makes a report of hazing in good faith;	
13	(2) participates in good faith in a judicial proceeding resulting	
14	from a report of hazing;	
15	(3) employs a reporting or participating person described in	
16	subdivision (1) or (2); or	
17	(4) supervises a reporting or participating person described in	
18	subdivision (1) or (2);	
19	is not liable for civil damages or criminal penalties that might	
20	otherwise be imposed because of the report or participation.	
21	(e) A person described in subsection $(d)(1)$ or $(d)(2)$ is presumed to	
22	act in good faith.	
23	(f) A person described in subsection (d)(1) or (d)(2) may not be	
24	treated as acting in bad faith solely because the person did not have	
25	probable cause to believe that a person committed:	
26	(1) an offense under this section; or	
27	(2) a delinquent act that would be an offense under this section if	
28	the offender was an adult.	
29	SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001] IC 35-42-2-2, as	
30	amanded by this act, applies only to crimes committed after June	



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SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senator Long be added as second author of Senate Bill 293.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Corrections, Criminal and Civil Procedures, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 293, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is made to Senate Bill 293 as introduced.)

LONG, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0.

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